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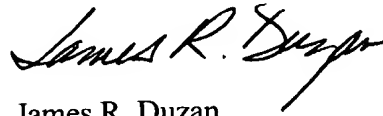
Sir:

The present application is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/389,316, filed September 2, 1999, pending.

Pursuant to M.P.E.P. 2001.06(b), the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the information of record in the prior application, and to confirm in the first Office Action on the merits that such art has in fact been reviewed. A PTO-1449 form listing all of the information of record in the prior application is enclosed herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the above-identified application, and no certification pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) or a fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p) is required.

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